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Ottawa singer Kristina Maria is on the rise with the release of her debut album — and a boost from Celine Dion's former executive producer. JOE LOFARO/METRO

F-35 jet funds on hold after damning report

Auditor general. Rollout of planes has been plagued by delays, technical problems and 64 per cent cost increase

The Harper government froze spending Tuesday on the multi-billion-dollar plan to buy jet fighters minutes after the auditor general produced a withering report accusing the Department of National Defence (DND) of keeping Parliament in the dark about spiralling problems with the F-35 purchase.

The government also announced it would take away DND's ability to buy new weapons systems and hand it to Public Works — all in an effort to shield itself from the ensuing assault in the House of Commons that followed the release of the report by new auditor general Michael Ferguson.

The Defence Department faced wide-ranging scorn over its management of a plan to buy 65 new F-35 radar-evading stealth fighters for what the military initially insisted would cost $9 billion. Ferguson has pegged the projected 20-year cost of the Joint Strike Fighter (JSF) Program, including maintenance, at $25 billion.

He added that Public Works should have done a better job of overseeing the purchase, but Ferguson was particularly scathing about DND's failure to come clean on potential problems with buying the F-35.

"Briefing material did not inform senior decision makers, central agencies and the minister of the problems and associated risks of relying on the F-35 to replace the CF-18," the report said. "Nor did National Defence provide complete cost information to parliamentarians."

DND pointedly rejected criticism that it did not exercise due diligence in managing the project.

The auditor general's criticism does not mean the government will scrap the F-35 purchase or consider opening up the sole-source procurement to other bids. Ferguson's mandate limits his criticism to the conduct of bureaucrats.

The government has not signed a contract with the U.S. to buy the F-35s, but it has invested $335 million so far to meet commitments over the 15-year history of the U.S.-led JSF initiative. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Mayor wants to avoid 'revenue loss for the city'

Gaming. Don't close down racetrack slots until new Ottawa casino is open for business: Watson to OLG

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Mayor Jim Watson wants slot machines to keep ringing at Rideau-Carleton Raceway past their planned shutdown until a new casino slated for Ottawa is up and running.

"They shouldn't shut the operation down until we've come to a decision on a permanent casino in Ottawa," he said Tuesday, "because obviously there's a revenue loss for the city and we want to make sure we don't have a gap between when the slots close down and a potential casino opens up."

The Ontario Lottery and Gaming Corporation last month announced the slots, which put about $4 million into city coffers annually, are to close down next March 31.

Watson said he would press the OLG on extending the slot machines on a month-to-month basis.

Watson also favours locating the new casino downtown, instead of at Scotiabank Place or Rideau-Carleton, as others have suggested.

"My preference would be that it be in the downtown, close to transit, near the hotels, convention centre. That's what makes a casino successful. There has to be that walkability and easy access to get to," he said.

"It becomes a bit of a destination challenge to get out to Scotiabank Place or out to Rideau-Carleton Raceway."

Mayor Jim Watson answers questions from the media at city hall Tuesday. STEVE COLLINS/FOR METRO

Cleaning up vacant site to cost $4.59M

A contaminated former fuel-storage site in the city's south end could be reborn as retail space if council agrees to give its developers a break on property taxes and development fees.

The city's finance and economic development committee Tuesday approved the grant of up to $4.59 million to Unitrin Developments Inc. and Triform Developments Inc., owners of the property at 280-300 West Hunt Club Rd., to offset the cost of cleaning it up.

"We went over the details and we felt it was a very positive step forward, because that's a site that's been sitting vacant for a long time," said Coun. Keith Egli, whose ward includes the property.

Making way for the new

"It'll create jobs and increase tax revenue and, most importantly as far as I'm concerned, clean up a very dirty site."

Coun. Keith Egli
Egli's ward includes the site slated for cleanup to make way for new retail space

"Numerous people have looked at it but haven't been able to find a way to make it work, primarily because of the cost of the cleanup. The cleanup is going to cost close to $10 million."

Egli said developers have already begun preliminary work on the property, which is the intended future home of a Lowe's store. Additional retail space, restaurants and a cinema are also possibilities.

STEVE COLLINS/FOR METRO

Coun. Keith Egli, whose ward includes the property, said the cleanup deal between the city and developers is a positive step. STEVE COLLINS/FOR METRO

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Trayvon images not approved

While vendors are profiting from Trayvon Martin merchandise, the teen's family has taken action to prevent offensive uses of his image. Watch the video at metronews.ca

Vaccine itching for approval

A new vaccine for poison sumac and poison oak is going to Phase 1 clinical trials later this year. More at metronews.ca

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Alleged assault. OPP charge Ottawa officer in Valentine's Day incident

An Ottawa police officer faces an assault charge stemming from a Valentine's Day incident in Carleton Place.

The OPP charged Const. Edward Cristina, 42, with assault. Cristina was off-duty at the time. He's to appear in a Perth courtroom April 16 and has been reassigned to administrative duties.

"As chief of the Ottawa Police Service, I expect the conduct of our officers to be of the highest ethical standard and reflective of the values of our community," police Chief Charles Bordeleau said in a release.

"In cases where an officer fails to meet those standards, he or she will be held accountable through due process for their actions."

The Ottawa Police Professional Standards Section is also investigating. METRO

Annual report card

City gets mixed grades on efforts to eliminate homelessness

The City of Ottawa got its first "A" grade in the Alliance to End Homelessness' (ATEH) annual report card.

The not-for-profit organization's 2011 report card credited the city for creating 203 new affordable units last year and helping 536 households with rent.

The city got an "F" grade, however, in the average days stayed in a shelter category. The number rose in 2011 to 67, up from 63 in 2010.

Another "F" was given for the category that asks the question, "Is housing affordable?"

ATEH said it anticipates the number of affordable units to increase this year once the remainder of the city's $14-million investment in housing kicks in. METRO

Murder suspect sought. Warrant issued in Dynes Road shooting

Ottawa police have issued a Canada-wide arrest warrant for Eriklit Musollari, 22, on a charge of one count of second-degree murder.

The force announced the warrant in a press release concerning its investigation of the killing of Peyman Hatami.

Police say Musollari is considered armed and dangerous and should not be approached. They describe him as a "Middle Eastern man with dark hair, measuring five-foot-nine."

The release said that anyone with information on Musollari's whereabouts should contact Ottawa police at 613-236-1222 ext. 5493, or their local police service.

Hatami's body was found in a parking lot last Thursday near the Asia Garden restaurant on Dynes Road.

Police say the incident was not random and that Hatami was shot to death. Although police revealed they have found a gun while searching the area, they have not said if it's the murder weapon. METRO

Local daredevils aim high on reality show

Road to stardom. Canada's Got Talent, here we come! The Ottawa-based Craz-E-Crew Stunt Team gears up for national live TV broadcast

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Ottawa's Craz-E-Crew Stunt Team started small 20 years ago, wowing audiences at local fairs. This month, the BMX, inline-skating and skateboarding daredevils take their act to live TV on the reality show Canada's Got Talent.

"It's gonna be something pretty big," said team member and co-owner Patrick Chenier. "We're working on one of our biggest shows ever."

The crew, whose first big break was an appearance at the 1997 Calgary Stampede, has gone on to perform in China, Saudi Arabia and Nigeria.

"It's awesome because you get the chance to travel around the world and meet so many nice people in different places and perform our live show for them," Chenier said.

The six-man team's audition in Montreal was a big hit with the Canada's Got Talent judges, Chenier recalled.

"We were able to pull off a bunch of back flips and stuff like that — flares, flip 180s on a small stage on a ramp — and the judges were blown away by it," he said. "I think Martin Short pretty much said, 'Now I know why you guys are called Craz-E.'"

The Craz-E-Crew Stunt Team appears live on Canada's Got Talent on April 15.

Craz-E-Crew's Ben Kaufmann in flight.
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Kristina Maria enjoying life as fame takes off

Debut album. With help from Celine Dion's ex-producer, the Ottawa singer is ready to Tell the World

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With a little help from Celine Dion's former executive producer, an Ottawa singer could be the next pop star.

At 22, Kristina Maria has gone from having her demo tapes rejected to working with Vito Luprano, the Montreal man who signed Dion in 1986 and executive-produced all her albums. It clearly hasn't gone to her head.

The bubbly, outgoing Maria is easy to talk to — more girl-next-door than rock star in her personality.

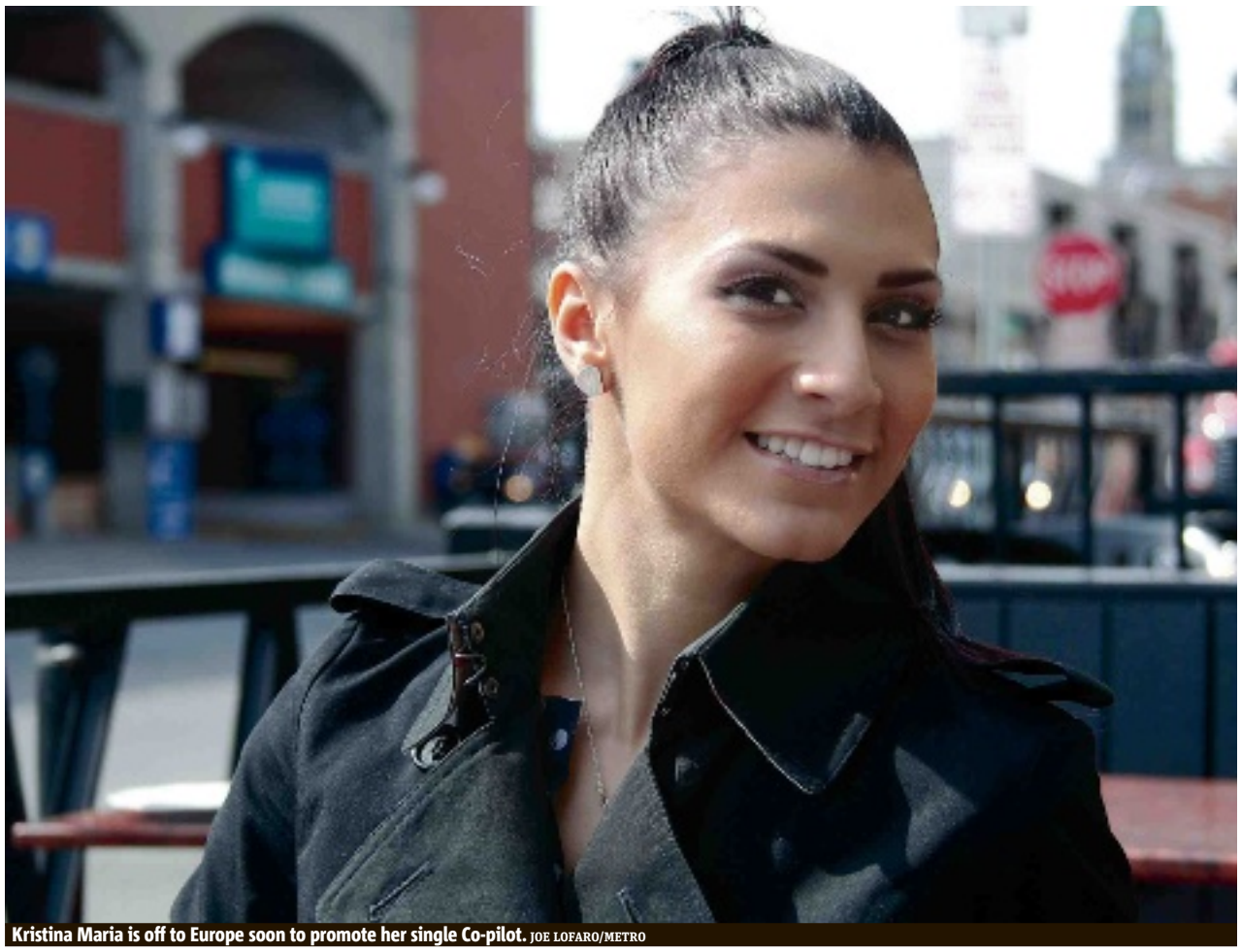
"You knock on doors.... Some producers I didn't click with," said Maria of her efforts after graduating from Garneau High School in Orleans.

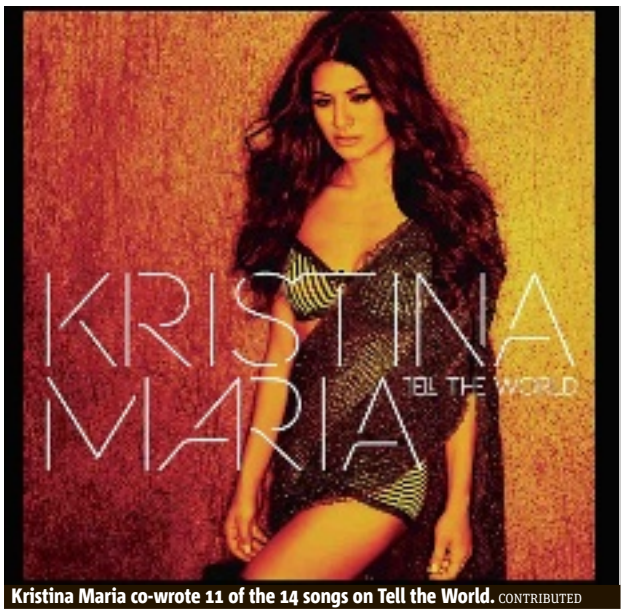
But then, two years ago, a family friend helped get her work to Dion's old publicist, who then sent it over to Luprano.

"I didn't hear from him for a few weeks," recalled Maria. That's because Luprano was just starting to take a break from the music biz to spend more time with his family. That changed once he went for a drive and played her CD.

"As soon as we met, we both felt this instant connection that we knew we could work together, and within days we were travelling to Anguilla to work with (singer-songwriter) Aldo Nova."

Since then, Luprano has been working with Maria on her debut album Tell The World, which comes out on Monday.


Kristina Maria is off to Europe soon to promote her single Co-pilot. JOE LOFARO/METRO



Kristina Maria co-wrote 11 of the 14 songs on Tell the World. CONTRIBUTED

Luprano said his attraction to her voice was instant when he first heard it.

"That's when I realized I loved her technique, I loved her voice, I loved the idea that she was writing her own melodies and lyrics," said Luprano. "I wanted to try working with a writer."

Maria co-wrote 11 of the 14 songs on Tell The World and is already planning to write new ones.

At first Maria couldn't believe she was working with Dion's people, but after a while she got to know Luprano, who always told her: "Be yourself."

"I'm really close to his kids and his wife. I guess we became like a family," said Maria. "So is it intimidating anymore? Certainly not."

She doesn't feel like she needs to fill Dion's shoes now, either.

"I don't have any shoes to fill (because) we're two different people," she said.

Maria is just getting know what a music career is like.

She recently wrapped up a promo tour with stops in Western Canada and Montreal. On Monday she'll be in Ottawa again to promote the album. Then it's off to Europe to promote her single Co-Pilot, featuring Corbeille.

"It's really exciting and surreal for where I am, but there is still a lot of work to do," she said.

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Seized. Bear cub taken to zoo while fate decided

Conservation officials have seized a black bear cub rescued and taken home last month by a man in southern Manitoba.

Makoon, who has become a bit of a celebrity in southern Manitoba, is now biding his time at the Assiniboine Park Zoo in Winnipeg while government officials try to find him a new home in Ontario.

"I feel like crying," Rene Dubois said Tuesday afternoon, after a conservation officer and a biologist came to his house in St. Malo and loaded the cub up in a cage.

The 63-year-old said he was told he can't visit the bear at the zoo but was given a phone number to call so he could check on his condition.

Dubois said it was a heart-wrenching goodbye that he wasn't prepared for, but he's glad the cub is going to a place where he'll be well taken care of.

"At least he'll have a chance," Dubois said.

The retired construction worker found the bear March 25 starving in a ditch along the highway outside of St. Malo, a community about 70 kilometres south of Winnipeg.

He and his wife have been nursing him back to health, feeding him milk and formula from a baby bottle, honey and fruit. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Bear cub Makoon takes a closer look at baby RayAnne at the Dubois home in St. Malo, Man., on March 26. RACHEL WALFORD/HANDOUT

Transgender model calls on Trump to fight discrimination

Unclear. Transgender Miss Universe Canada contestant says details surrounding her re-entry into competition remain muddled

KATE WEBB
Metro in Vancouver

Jenna Talackova, right, who was recently forced out of the Miss Universe Canada competition, appears with her attorney Gloria Allred at a news conference in Los Angeles, Tuesday. REED SAXON/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Embattled transgender beauty Jenna Talackova says the decision to allow her compete in the Miss Universe Canada pageant is only skin deep.

In a statement issued late Monday, the organization seemingly reversed its earlier decision to disqualify the 23-year-old Vancouver model from the competition, "provided she meets the legal gender recognition requirements of Canada, and the standards established by other international competitions."

Talackova was disqualified March 23 on the grounds that she did not meet the pageant's requirement contestants be "natural born" female — a rule her lawyer Gloria Allred called "blatant discrimination" at a Los Angeles news conference Tuesday. Talackova called on Miss Universe owner and real estate mogul Donald Trump to be a leader in the fight against discrimination.

"I also want Mr. Trump to clearly state that this rule will be eliminated, because I do not want any other woman to suffer the discrimination that I have to endure," said Talackova.

Talackova said she is still not sure where she stands with the pageant.

Free my grapes

Wine lovers hope to quash 1928 law

"Free my grapes" was the rallying cry on Parliament Hill on Tuesday as a committee heard from supporters of a private member's bill seeking to erase a 1928 rule that restricts individuals from bringing wine across provincial borders.

Shirley-Ann George ran into that problem when she was visiting B.C. and then tried to join a wine club through a vineyard there, only to be told the vineyard couldn't ship to her home in Ontario. She decided to start up the Alliance of Canadian Wine Consumers to try to change it.

"You've got to be kidding," is the most common refrain from people first learning about the rule, George said in an interview.

Bill C-311, which would amend the Importation of Intoxicating Liquors Act, was introduced in the House of Commons last fall by B.C. Tory MP Dan Albas.

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Gunman was taunted before brutal killing spree: Police

Daniel Sim and his sister Lydia Sim are reported to be among the seven killed during Monday's shooting in Oakland, Calif. DANIEL SIM/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Premeditated attack. South Korean nursing student was allegedly teased about his poor English skills prior to murderous rampage

A nursing student expelled from a small Christian university and upset about being teased over his poor English skills opened fire at the school, going from room to room in a rampage that left six students and a secretary dead, police said Tuesday.

One L. Goh, 43, forced the secretary into a classroom at Oikos University in Oakland on Monday, told people to line up and, when some didn't co-operate, began his shooting spree, police Chief Howard Jordan said.

"It's very, very sad," Jordan said. "We have seven people who didn't deserve to die and three others wounded because (of) someone who couldn't deal with the pressures of life."

Goh, a South Korea native who became a U.S. citizen, was expelled in January for behavioural problems from the small private school of fewer than 100 students, Jordan said. The chief said Goh had anger-management issues with other students.

Jordan said Goh appeared to have been planning the attack for several weeks.

Goh was upset with administrators and several students at the college, which an official said offered classes in Korean and English and was founded to help Korean immigrants adjust to a new country and find careers in nursing and ministry.

"They disrespected him, laughed at him," Jordan said. "They made fun of his lack of English-speaking skills."

Jordan said Goh tried to find a female administrator Monday and began shooting when he learned she wasn't there. The victims, who range in age from 21 to 40, were from various countries, including Nigeria, Nepal and the Philippines.

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The victims

Authorities have not released the identities of the seven people killed in Monday's shooting.

- School secretary Katleen Ping is believed to be among the first victims of the shooting, according to her family.
- The three surviving shooting victims were all released from Highland Hospital by Monday night, according to hospital officials. They would not release any details on the nature of the injuries treated.

Alone in the cockpit

Elderly passenger lands runaway plane safely

An elderly woman took control of a small plane from her unconscious husband that was dangerously low on fuel and landed it on a runway at a small northeastern Wisconsin airport, the facility's director said Tuesday.

Helen Collins, 80, had some flight training years ago but was not familiar with the controls of the Cessna twin-engine plane on Monday evening when her husband passed out, said Keith Kasbohm, director of Cherryland Airport near Sturgeon Bay.

Another pilot took to the skies to guide Collins to the ground, but she had to land the aircraft herself.

"She was on her last attempt to get lined up with the runway," Kasbohm said. "She reported one engine was sputtering on that last attempt to land. We were all watching and knew she had to do it."

Collins' 81-year-old husband, John, was later pronounced dead at a hospital.

Helen Collins had called 911 from the Cessna, prompting air-traffic controllers in Green Bay to alert Kasbohm.

"The first thing I thought of is 'We have to find someone to help talk this woman down,'" he said.

Kasbohm called Robert Vuksanovic, a pilot who lived just a mile from the airport. Vuksanovic jumped in another plane owned by the Collins and flew up to meet the Cessna while instructing the novice on the radio.

Kasbohm described Collins as "cool, calm and collected on the radio" as the aircraft made a hard landing and skidded about 1,000 feet before coming to rest.

"She must have flown around here about 10 times," said Torry Lautenbach, whose property is next to the airport. "She did a really good job (landing the plane). It was amazing."

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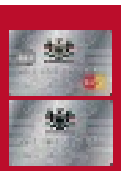

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Think your average sugar daddy is more of a grandpa? Think again, says dating website CEO Brandon Wade .

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Toronto crowned sugar daddy capital of Canada

Five-year study. Ottawa places sixth in number of sugar daddies per capita, after Edmonton

DELIA MACPHERSON
for Metro in Toronto

Looking for someone to take you out on the town, fly you around the world and pamper you every chance they get? Your best chance of finding that is in Toronto.

A recent five-year study shows that Toronto has a higher number of "sugar daddies" per capita than any other city in Canada. Calgary comes in second, according to the study, while Vancouver places third.

Seekingarrangement.com, an online-dating site that pairs wealthy men and women with those interested in dating them, conducted the study with data from the Canadian census.

So what is a sugar daddy? The Oxford English Dictionary defines it as "a rich older man who lavishes gifts on a young woman in return for her company or sexual favours."

Brandon Wade, founder and CEO of the website behind the study, says the negative stereotypes surrounding sugar daddies aren't true.

"If you look at the stats, sugar daddies are in their late 30s, early 40s," says Wade. "Despite the stereotype, the real sugar daddy is much younger, very generous and wealthy."

Wade claims women want to be spoiled and pampered. Using a site like his is a way for women to weed out the no-job, lie-on-the-couch losers from the wealthy men out there.

Wealthy indeed. Wade says the average sugar daddy is worth between $4-$5 million and has an annual income of about $200,000. Women are lining up for a sugar daddy, with 10 "babies" for every daddy.

"People might ask, 'Doesn't he just want sex?' All men at the end of the day want sex," says Wade.

How many are married?

38.9

The percentage of Canadian sugar daddies who are married. Brandon Wade says that married sugar daddies are often in a sexless marriage and the financial ramifications of a divorce make for a sticky situation. Most wives have no idea their husband is a sugar daddy

Ottawa's numbers

Study shows Ottawa places sixth:

- In the nation's capital, 1.02 in every 1,000 men is a sugar daddy.
- 46 per cent are married, a little higher than the national average.
- Their average income is $219,250.
- Their net worth is about $4.3 million.
- An Ottawa sugar daddy spends $4,038 a month on sugar baby.

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Easter Monday, April 9

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Syrians wave revolutionary flags and chant slogans at a night protest against President Bashar Assad in a neighborhood of Damascus on Monday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Syrian troops return to bases

Ceasefire. Activists refute government reports of early pull-out ahead of official truce plan

Syrian troops began pulling out Tuesday from some calm cities and headed back to their bases a week ahead of a deadline to implement an international ceasefire plan, a government official said.

The claim could not immediately be verified and activists near the capital Damascus denied troops were leaving their area. They said the day regime forces withdraw from streets, Syria will witness massive protests that will overthrow the government.

"Forces began withdrawing to outside calm cities and are returning to their bases, while in tense areas, they are pulling out to the outskirts," the government official said in Damascus without saying when the withdrawal began. He spoke on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to talk to the media.

President Bashar Assad agreed just days ago to an April 10 deadline to implement international envoy Kofi Annan's truce plan. It requires regime forces to withdraw from towns and cities and observe a ceasefire. Rebel fighters are to immediately follow by ceasing violence.

Khaled al-Omar, an activist in the Damascus suburb of Saqba, denied that any withdrawal was underway in his area.

"This is impossible. I can see a checkpoint from my window," he said via Skype, adding the regime forces were still in the main square.

Earlier in the day, opposition activists charged that the regime was racing to crush opponents ahead of the ceasefire deadline by carrying out intense raids, arrests and shelling on Tuesday.

Opposition activists have blasted Annan's plan as too little too late and are particularly angry that it does not call for Assad to leave power — the central demand of the uprising. They suspect Assad will use the plan to stall while his forces continue to crack down.

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Mistrust

"He thinks he can win more time to take control of all Syrian cities."

Adel al-Omari, activist, on the regime's motivations for pulling back

Market blaze

Moscow migrants killed in fire

A blaze Tuesday at a Moscow market killed 17 migrant workers who were unable to escape from the metal shed where they were sleeping, the city fire department said.

All were citizens of former Soviet nations in Central Asia. Several million migrants from Tajikistan, Uzbekistan and Kyrgyzstan have come to Moscow in search of work. Many have found jobs in construction or at the city's markets,

About 12,000 people died last year in fires across the country.

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Pakistan. Anti-American feelings complicate Afghan exit strategy

U.S. diplomatic efforts to persuade Pakistan to reopen NATO supply lines to the Afghan war are proving no match for rampant anti-Americanism there, with Pakistani lawmakers increasingly unwilling to support a decision that risks them being branded as friends of Washington.

Opposition legislators are demanding that the U.S. end its drone strikes against militants as a precondition, complicating U.S. strategies for winding down the 10-year war just weeks before a major NATO conference in President Barack Obama's hometown of Chicago.

Relations between the U.S. and Pakistan have been marked by mistrust since the two countries were thrust together following the Sept. 11 attacks, but shared interests — near-bankrupt Pakistan needs American aid, America needs Pakistan's support against al-Qaida — had kept the alliance intact.

That changed in November when U.S. airstrikes inadvertently killed 24 Pakistani troops on the Afghan border.

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Bankers call for moratorium on proposed reforms

Finance. Policy-makers should not overburden banks with regulations that could stifle growth: CBA president

Canada's bankers want to apply the brakes on sweeping new regulations being forced on them as a result of the 2008 financial collapse, possibly putting them on a collision course with the government and the Bank of Canada.

Canadian Bankers Association president Terry Campbell surprised a luncheon of policy-makers and industry executives Tuesday with a call for Ottawa to push the pause button on future reforms.

"We are facing the biggest regulatory implementation exercise the Canadian banking industry has ever undergone, and it is not done yet," he said.

"I think it would be useful for the federal government to hit the 'pause' button."

Commons finance committee chair James Rajotte, a Conservative MP from Alberta, seemed surprised by the appeal, but said afterwards if bankers have concerns, "we will certainly listen."

The proposal puts the private sector banks potentially in conflict with Bank of Canada governor Mark Carney, who as head of the Swiss-based Financial Stability Board has been a leading proponent of the reform process and has had little patience with what he has called "back-sliding."

In recent interviews, Carney has said policy-makers are open to working with stakeholders about the end game of reforms, but appeared to dismiss notions of halting the process.

He insisted Canada's banking community is not opposed to stiffer regulations, including more capital requirements, that have already been approved.

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Managing the market

- CBA president Terry Campbell said the danger is that regulators may prevent banks from offering new, legitimate services.
- He also said regulations are so complex and require so many resources for compliance that they could drive smaller financial institutions out of the market, resulting in less competition.

No longer heir apparent

James Murdoch leaves his father Rupert Murdoch's residence in central London last July. Murdoch, 39, stepped down Tuesday as chairman of British Sky Broadcasting, surrendering one of the biggest jobs in the Murdoch media empire. Murdoch's credibility had come under question due to the phone-hacking scandal at the now-defunct News of the World tabloid. SANG TAN/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

Brewery bought

Molson Coors acquires StarBev

Molson Coors is looking to offset declining North American beer demand by acquiring leading Central and Eastern European beer maker StarBev for $3.5 billion US.

The deal will add nine breweries and 4,100 employees in several countries to Molson Coors, and should offer the company better growth opportunities in the beer-friendly European market.

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Market Minute

DOLLAR $100.97¢ US (-0.01¢)

TSX 12,323.61 (-183.44)

OIL $104.01 US (-$1.22)

GOLD $1,672 US (-$7.70)

Natural gas: $2.187 US (+3.5¢)
Dow Jones: 13,199.55 (-64.94)

Insurers to pool risks from high-priced drug costs

A group of 23 Canadian insurance companies has come up with a plan to spread out the expense of high-priced drug treatments — a move they say will shelter Canadians from the risk of losing employer-sponsored coverage due to cost.

The Canadian Life and Health Insurance Association says the insurers are trying to avoid a situation where employers face a sharp jump in premiums due to big claims for extremely expensive drugs.

To do so, the industry is developing a pooled system of coverage that will allow insurers to exclude the cost of certain high-cost drugs when setting premiums charged to employers.

"It is the industry's view that no Canadian should face the prospect of losing their drug coverage due to rare but very expensive drugs costs," Frank Swedlove, the association's president, said Tuesday.

Decisions about whether to cover a particular drug are up to the employers sponsoring the plan but cost is often an important factor in their decisions when deciding the extent of the coverage.

According to the association, certain drug treatments — typically for genetic enzyme disorders, cancer treatments and auto-immune disorders — can cost more than $50,000 per year per patient.

"The ability for insurance companies to pool the costs of very expensive drugs represents a win-win scenario for all participants in fully insured plans," he added.

"Employers get a more financially sustainable drug plan, employees benefit as they will continue to receive coverage from their employer plans even in the face of a high-cost drug claim, and insurers are able to spread the cost of high-cost claims amongst the participating companies."

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Insurance issues

- The Canadian Life and Health Insurance Association said Tuesday that one-third of companies polled for it recently by Leger Marketing indicated they would drop their drug coverage if premiums jumped by 25 per cent or more.
- The association says 100 per cent of the carriers that offer supplementary drug coverage have committed to the setting up a joint industry pool that will spread the costs for very large, recurrent prescription drug claims.
- Few details of the strategy were disclosed, but the group suggests the insurers will exclude the cost of some drugs when they set premiums for overall drug coverage.

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Smartphones. Research in Motion shares down on news of patent lawsuit

Shares in Research in Motion were down almost 10 per cent Tuesday amid news that BlackBerry maker is being sued by a Dutch chipmaker for alleged patent infringement involving some of its smartphones.

RIM's stock closed at $12.88, down $1.37, or 9.6 per cent, on the Toronto Stock Exchange.

Dutch semi-conductor company NXP confirmed that it's suing RIM for allegedly infringing on six patents by selling smartphones such as the BlackBerry Torch, Curve and Bold models. NXP filed the case this week in the U.S. federal court in Orlando, Fla. RIM said it typically declines to comment on litigation.

Also on Tuesday, the BlackBerry maker said it will open up its secure network for workplaces that use iPhones and other mobile devices. The move is intended to encourage enterprise customers to stick with its services, even if they gravitate away from the BlackBerry smartphone itself.

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Retail. Metro grocery chain buys seven Zellers pharmacies in Ontario

Grocery and pharmacy retailer Metro Inc. says it has acquired the prescription files of seven Zellers stores in Ontario ahead of next year's arrival of the U.S.-based Target chain.

The Montreal-based chain said an Ontario subsidiary has purchased the pharmacy businesses and files in Hamilton, London, Mississauga, Sudbury, Collingwood, and two in Brampton.

Customer files will be transferred to pharmacies operating at nearby Metro or Food Basics stores in those communities.

No price for the transaction was provided.

"At Metro, we continually strive to provide Ontario residents with a range of products and services that will allow them to live well and maintain a healthy lifestyle," said Lyman Kwok, vice-president of pharmacy operations.

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THOSE DARN SPACE ROCKS PULLING PRANKS, AGAIN

JUST SAYIN'
Paul Sullivan
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The end is near.

Now that I've got your attention, it's more like a near-miss.

On April 1, an asteroid the size of a 747 missed slamming into Earth at roughly 48,000 km/h when it zipped between the Earth and the moon, the cosmic equivalent of a hair's breadth.

Even though it happened on April Fool's Day, I'm not foolin'.

And as I write, there's another one coming.

If you're reading this, we've dodged a bullet called 2012 FA57, which was scheduled to fly past the neighbourhood just beyond the orbit of the moon … today.

It turns out these giant space rocks are whizzing around our heads all the time. The April Fool asteroid followed in the wake of one the size of a school bus and another the size of a car last week. They may be relatively small, but their size makes them no less scary.

Superstitious?

And if it misses on Friday the 13th, 2029, it gets another chance exactly seven years later on Friday the 13th, 2036!

According to Marshall Brain of HowStuffWorks, if an asteroid the size of a house crashed into the planet, it would have the energy of a bomb equivalent to the nuclear bomb dropped on Hiroshima. A 747-sized rock is bigger than a house and would have the impact of a much, much larger H-bomb.

Grim news. And you have to believe stuff that comes from a guy named Marshall Brain.

These so-called little shots are tricky, precisely because they are small enough to elude detection until it's too late to do anything about them. But they are nothing compared to the threat of Apophis, which is scheduled to narrowly miss Earth on — get this — Friday the 13th, 2029. Apophis is named after the Egyptian god of darkness and chaos, one bad dude. A direct hit would unleash the energy of 65,000 nukes, according to NASA.

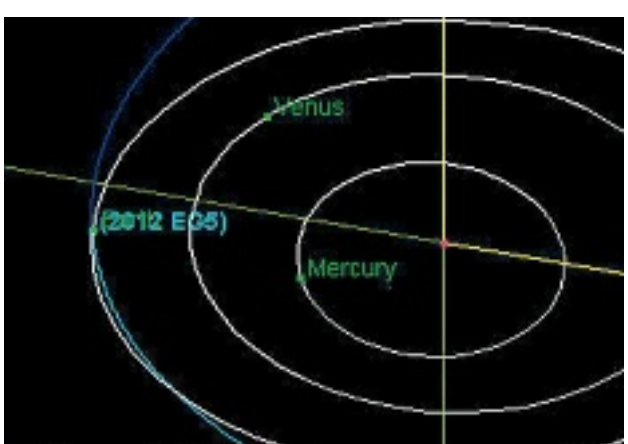
And if it misses on Friday the 13th, 2029, it gets another chance exactly seven years later on a Friday the 13th, 2036!

So the end could indeed be near. Admittedly, it's a long shot, but at one in 48,000 it's still greater than your chance of getting killed in a plane crash, which is one in 355,000.

Fortunately, there's a stalwart band of scientists at NASA's Near-Earth Object Program who do nothing but watch the skies. They can see Apophis coming a long way off because it's 320 metres across. But they didn't discover the one that just missed until March 13, which is too late, baby. It will take two years to mount an effort to discourage an asteroid from burying its head into the bosom of Mother Earth.

So, that guy in the cartoon with "Repent! The End is Near!" sign and the haunted look? He's not so far off the beam.

Good thing you've led a blameless life to date, so there's nothing to worry about.



The asteroid 2012 EG5 travelled closer than the moon when it flew by Earth on April Fool's Day. NASA/HANDOUT

Mom, not in front of everyone!

BARBARA SCHEER/WUPPERTAL ZOO

Say hi

Polar bear cub makes world debut

WUPPERTAL, GERMANY. She may be less than three months old, but in Germany this polar bear cub is already a big celebrity. This is Anori — pictured with her mother Vilma — who has just made her first public appearance. The little bear seemed completely at ease in her outdoor pen, despite onlookers and flashing cameras. **METRO**

Time to shine

In her, they see brother Knut

CELEBRITY. What makes this polar bear so famous? Anori shares a father with Knut, a cub that won the world's affection after his mother rejected him as a baby and he was raised by zookeepers. Such was Knut's acclaim that he even starred in his own film, Knut & Friends, which went on to win rave reviews worldwide. **METRO**

Anori the polar bear

Disappearing act

25,000

polar bears are left in the world, according to conservation group Polar Bears International.
The disappearance of sea ice has forced polar bears away from their usual feeding grounds. The Arctic summer sea ice will vanish by 2030, experts claim.

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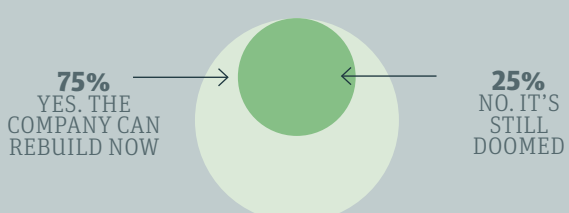
Does former RIM chief Jim Balsillie's retiring make you more optimistic about the BlackBerry maker?



Twitter

@deadmau5: last night was epic. seriously, thank you ottawa and all the lovely people at ritual... you guys set that place on fire last night :D

@tweetsonlo: Not even two minutes in, it's two penalties. Also, "refs, you suck!" chants are already beginning. #Sens #Canes

@peroxwhyLUSH: Foligno going off for goalie interference. #Sens PP comes to an immediate end.

@CelesteCote: Hey #ottawa haters, check this out. Part fiction, part documentary, indie film Poser explores Ottawa's creative side http://t.co/C5Se59Yi

@karranfinlay: Looking 4 bright, somewhat intimate venues suitable for speaking and an area for stations. Need for #Montreal and #Ottawa. Ideas? lake! #yqr

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Scene in brief

More downward-facing dogs for Baldwin?

Alec Baldwin is giving marriage another shot. The actor popped the question over the weekend to his 28-year-old yoga instructor girlfriend, Hilaria Thomas, whom he started dating last year. His publicist Matthew Hiltzik made the engagement announcement over Twitter. Baldwin, who once starred in a film called The Marrying Man, turns 54 on Tuesday and an engagement, says Hiltzik, is a "great way to celebrate!" Baldwin was previously married to Kim Basinger. They have a daughter together named Ireland. He published a book in 2008 called A Promise to Ourselves about his personal experience dealing with divorce and his battle with Basinger over custody of their daughter. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

On the web

Luck creative duo defend safety of racing drama halted after three horse deaths; a 'bitter' end

The Rolling Stones with Mick Jagger, left, Ronnie Wood, Charlie Watts and Keith Richards on April 2, 2008 in London, England GARETH CATTERMOLE/GETTY IMAGES

Why we love the Stones

The beat goes on. This month marks the golden jubilee of the world's greatest rock 'n' roll band

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As many wonder how Keith Richards has even lived this long, we give you 15 reasons to love the Stones, the band that's existed for half a century.

1. *Jagger/Richards:* It really all comes down to this: It's an artistic tug-of-war between words (Mick) and music (Keef), sex (Mick) and drugs (Keef), and every negative/positive charge that this songwriting partnership represents.

2. *Brian Jones:* By all accounts Jones founded and named the band, though the role of the second guitarist and multi-instrumentalist diminished progressively as he got more into drugs and less into fame. Mick and Keith fired him in June of 1969 and a month later he was found dead at the bottom of his swimming pool, only adding to the dark, mysterious aura of the Stones.

3. *Charlie Watts:* The drummer with the stoic face has not only been keeping the beat for the band for 50 years, but he has reportedly been keeping the faith with his wife of 47 years. Only after seeing the multiple dirty documentaries of the Stones' 1970s tours, does one realize how amazing this accomplishment is.

4. *Mick Taylor:* The guitarist joined the band at age 20 in 1969 and was only a Rolling Stone for five years and six albums, a period which was arguably the band's best.

5. *Ronnie Wood:* After serving as Rod Stewart's foil in The Faces, he replaced Taylor in 1975. He is the longest-reigning second guitarist, and the guitarist who looks the second-best with a guitar hanging on his bottom lip.

6. *Bill Wyman:* No, he was never smiling when the camera zoomed in on him in the videos, but there's something so weirdly likable about Wyman as the bassist.

7. *Darryl Jones:* Jones came on the scene almost 20 years ago (!) Yes, it's been that long since Bill Wyman left the band.

8. *Anybody else who has ever played with the band:* The Stones knew how to bring in guests, from the London Bach Choir on You Can't Always Get What You Want to Merry Clayton's killer singing on Gimme Shelter to sax man Bobby Keys on Exile on Main Street to the frequent keyboard guest spots by Billy Preston, Nicky Hopkins and Ian Stewart.

Reasons to love the Stones

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Mick's dancing.

10. *The name:* No, it didn't come from Dylan's Like a Rolling Stone, although the guys did record that song in the '90s. It came from Muddy Waters' 1950 song, Rollin' Stone.

11. *The logo:* Whether or not it's based on Mick's mouth doesn't matter. It's red and juicy and it has absolutely nothing to do with a stone that's rolling, but it has everything to do with rock 'n' roll.

12. *Andrew Loog Oldham:* If it weren't for the Stones' manager and producer in the early years, the Stones might have stayed a relatively clean cut wannabe Beatles act.

13. *(I Can't Get No) Satisfaction:* Keef historically recorded this guitar figure before passing out, and went back to listen the next day and amongst the documents of his snoring, heard this amazing elementary riff.

14. *The comma in the title, Paint It, Black*

15. *Ruby Tuesday:* Try to forget that it's the name of an American chain restaurant and listen to the song like it's the first time you've ever heard it. Holy amazingness! That buzzing cello, that bassy tuba, the beautiful recorder, the deep low notes that Mick hits in the verses!

WE ACTUALLY CAME UP WITH MORE REASONS TO LOVE THE STONES. YOU CAN READ THE COMPLETE LIST AND WATCH SOME VIDEOS OF THE BAND AT METRONEWS.CA/FEATURES

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A century-long Titanic obsession

Leonardo DiCaprio and Kate Winslet, in a scene from the 3D version of The Titanic. PARAMOUNT PICTURES/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Unsinkable fascination. Filmmakers have been inspired by the 'ship of dreams' ever since she went to her watery grave

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As the 100th anniversary of the ill-fated maiden voyage of the Titanic approaches, there are no shortages of cinematic ways to pay tribute to one of the most famous disasters of the 20th century. This weekend, James Cameron's Titanic sets sail again in theatres, this voyage in 3D. The story of Jack and Rose and their unsinkable love may be the best known of all the big boat movies, but it isn't the only one.

The first films about the sinking were made within a year of the event; 1912 saw three 10-minute films released to quench audience's thirst for Titanic news. The most famous of the movies featured an actual Titanic survivor.

Saved from the Titanic starred Dorothy Gibson, an actress who was also a first class passenger on the ship. Premiering on May 14, 1912, (just 29 days after the Titanic sank) the movie has Ms. Gibson recalling her experiences as a passenger, while wearing the same dress she had worn when the ship went down.

Cut to 1929. British International Pictures was forced to release their epic film on the Titanic under the name The Atlantic when White Star Line threatened legal action. Seems the Titanic's owner was actively trying to dissuade producers from cashing in on the Titanic disaster.

The next mention of the doomed ship on film came in 1933 in the best picture winner Cavalcade. In its most famous scene, newlyweds embark on their honeymoon cruise. Standing on the deck they discuss their plans as the ship pulls out of dock. Soon it's revealed they're standing in front of a life preserver embossed with the name Titanic.

Best of the bunch are Titanic, an all-star docu-drama headlined by Barbara Stanwyck and Robert Wagner, that debuted on April 14, 1953, exactly 41 years after the disaster and A Night to Remember, which is still regarded as the most accurate of all the Titanic films.

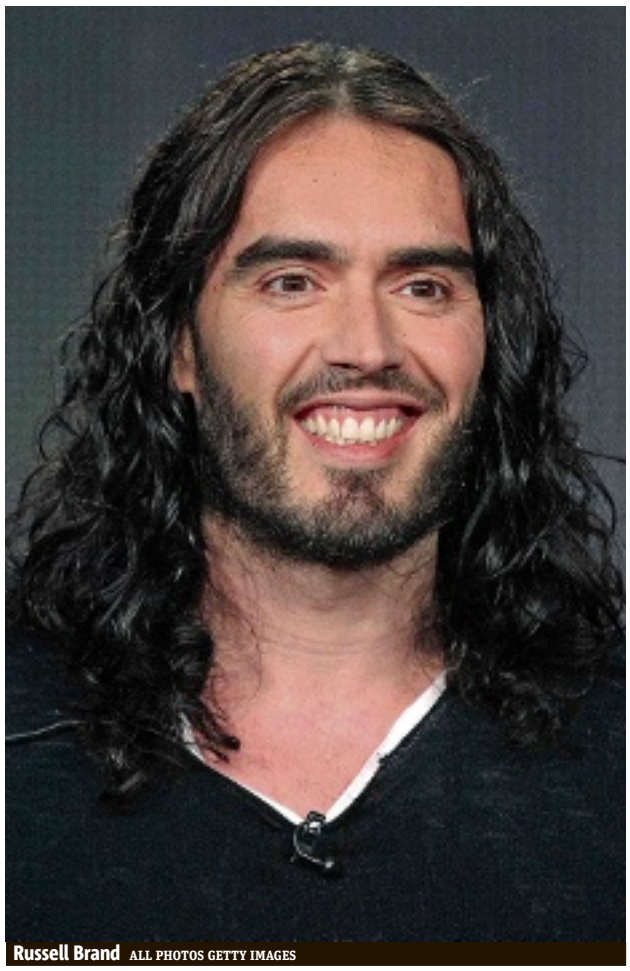
Propaganda film

Nazis also cashed in on the Titanic

Even Hitler had a hand in making a Titanic film. 1943's S.O.S Titanic was a propaganda film suggesting British incompetence was to blame for the disaster.

As water funnels into the ship, Captain Smith says, "See if you can find any German people on board. They'll know how to save the ship."

Russell Brand gives up rights of home to Katy Perry



Russell Brand ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

Russell Brand was apparently serious when he said he didn't want anything from Katy Perry in their divorce, as the British comedian has reportedly given Perry all the rights to the $6.5 million Hollywood Hills home they purchased while married, according to TMZ.

"It's all part of the property settlement agreed between Russell and Katy," a source says of their divorce proceedings.

Perry and Brand snatched up the eight-bedroom, nine-bathroom home six months before Brand filed for divorce.

They had not signed a prenuptial agreement.

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OUR TAKE ON THE WORLD OF CELEBRITIES

The Word

Levi's johnson does it again

THE WORD
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Levi Johnston, a high-school drop out who is famous for knocking up someone kind of famous from an infamous political family, is using his super sperm to get back into the news cycle.

It was announced yesterday that the 21-year-old is expecting a baby with his Wasilla, Alaska school teacher girlfriend, Sunny Oglesby, 20.

TMZ.com reports that Oglesby is only around three-months pregnant and that Johnston is "so excited" about having a new baby out of wedlock.

This is most likely because Bristol Palin (along with her mom and dad) haven't been too accommodating about seeing his son Tripp.

I know Alaska is remote, but if Sarah Palin could see Russia from her house, how hard could it be for Johnston to spot a stack of Trojans at the Rite Aid?

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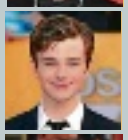
I wanna give my 3 millionth (!) follower something cool. How would one quantify that? Is there some sort of log?



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Rihanna

Rihanna looks to play Whitney Houston in biopic

Rihanna has her sights set on the role of a lifetime: playing Whitney Houston in a biopic about the late singer.

"That would be something that I would have to give my entire life to do, because I would really want to pull it off," she tells the Press Association. "My first song that I remember falling in love with was a Whitney Houston song: I Will Always Love You. It was really inspiring, and it made me develop a passion for music, so really, she's partly responsible for me being here in this industry."

Of course, first there needs to be a movie to star in, and while producer Clive Davis was reportedly putting one together, his rep has shot down that rumor, saying, "There is no truth to this. Clive is not putting together a biopic."

Oprah Winfrey admits to mistakes, end is nigh

Oprah Winfrey admits she's made some mistakes in the early days of her new TV network, OWN.

"Had I known that it was this difficult, I might have done something else," Winfrey says in an interview with the CBS Early Show. "I didn't think it was going to be easy, but if I knew then what I know now, I might have made different choices. If I were writing a book about it, I could call the book 101 Mistakes."

Oprah Winfrey

The traveller of today

The most important aspect of a vacation for our readers is the ability to 'do nothing and relax.'

Poll. In Metro's worldwide survey, we asked you what's important when on vacation and here's what we found out

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The environment

Who said you were a thoughtless, tech-crazed urbanite? Although your number one answer when asked about your travel attitudes was "vacations to me mean doing nothing and relaxing," a close number two was that you take actions to "reduce the environmental impact" of your travelling.

Here's an idea: Choose a holiday with a difference. Why not travel to Costa Rica where you can surf, eat cheap sushi and save sea turtles? If you're more of a passive environmentalist, reduce your carbon footprint by making small changes like taking a train rather than a plane or staying in an eco resort and not a big chain hotel. For more ideas head to ecotourism.org.

The web

There's a reason why half the travel agents in your neighbourhood have closed. More than half of you decide on a destination after having looked it up on the Internet. From there, 81 per cent will go on to plan their itinerary online.

Here's an idea: By now, you probably know what travel site offers the best fares, but we're partial to bing.com — a site we generally ignore. Their Farecaster technology predicts if a flight's cost may go up or down in a coming month.

Special offers

Although 34 per cent of those polled planned their summer vacation up to three months in advance, for many it's a last-minute decision based on what special offer is available at the time. Travel cost is a major issue (98 per cent considered it 'very important') but package deals allow you to leave with a set budget. Aside from the odd gift or splurge, you shouldn't spend more than planned.

Try logging on for deals. More than half of our readers decide on their destinations using the Internet.

Cannes offers sun and fun.

Here's an idea: Sign up for daily email alerts from websites that sell discount deals such as Groupon or Living Social or Save My Day (brought to you by Metro). Offers include anything from a cruise in the Mediterranean to a wine tasting in South Africa — often with spaces to fill.

City and Sunshine

All it seems readers want (well, 63 per cent of them) is sunshine and access to a beach. This doesn't mean they want to shut themselves off from the world on a desert island — 30 per cent can't bear to be away from the city for too long.

Here's an idea: Put two and two together and travel to a sunny city on the coast. Istanbul, Cannes, Barcelona or Los Angeles — these are all cosmopolitan cities blessed with sunny weather and beautiful beaches.

Top destination. Our readers pick Thailand

Europeans, Russians and Hong Kong-ians all chose that part of the world's bachelor party favourite as their number one destination for a beach holiday, with Egypt and Australia also ranking high. North Americans wouldn't travel that far: For sun and fun, (and maybe a bachelor party?) they head to Mexico or Brazil.

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Thailand's pristine beaches lure readers in Europe.

Top airlines

Flying high

When choosing an airline in a foreign country, it's hard to know which are reputable and which will seat you next to a sheep and donkey. So we asked the locals. European readers had a three-way tie, with British Airways, Lufthansa and KLM scoring the highest votes, and Air France and SAS a close second. Meanwhile, Russians and Hong Kong folks gave a resounding vote to No. 1 Aeroflot, with Cathay Pacific No. 2. And in North America, Air Canada and American Airlines topped the list. In third: Jet Blue.

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Lufthansa scored some of the highest points with European readers.

3 LIFE

Travel in brief

Iceland chills on hotel rates

Hotel rates in Iceland have dropped 12 per cent since 2010, making the country's capital Reykjavik an "affordable European hot spot," says Travel and Leisure magazine. "Iceland's price points aren't at their rock-bottom 2008 levels, but they're still low," says the magazine. Icelandair resumed seasonal service from Canada on March 28, with four flights a week from Toronto to Reykjavik until November. Seasonal flights from Halifax resume June 7 with up to three flights weekly through October. The city is among several European destinations that Travel and Leisure deems "affordable" due to lower prices for hotels, meals or other expenses. The list includes Berlin, Krakow, Dublin, Budapest, Lisbon and economically hard-pressed Greece. European hotel chains that can save travellers money include Motel One in Germany and Austria, Grecotel Hotels & Resorts in Greece, Ibis across the continent, and Wyndham Hotels in France, Germany, Portugal and Spain, says the magazine.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

On the Web

Montreal's iron icons: winding outdoor staircases win contest of local landmarks

Getting chummy with sand sharks in the Bahamas

Abaco Islands. Fresh fish washed down with some Kalik beer is the perfect way to enjoy a lazy afternoon in a tropical paradise

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Brave members of Mike Dojc's party fed scraps to the sharks. MIKE DOJC/METRO

Radio Abaco is the lone station on this sun-drenched northwestern swath of the Bahamian archipelago with reception as gin clear as the invitingly warm waters.

The hosts are having a spirited debate on the merits of sweethearting, the colloquial expression for the practice of married men keeping another woman on the side.

"You're not having an affair, you have a sweetheart," explains my guide Ambrose. "It's infamous here. Men go to work and when they get paid they divvy up what is for their wife and family and to take care of the bills and such and then what is for the sweetheart, so he has two homes."

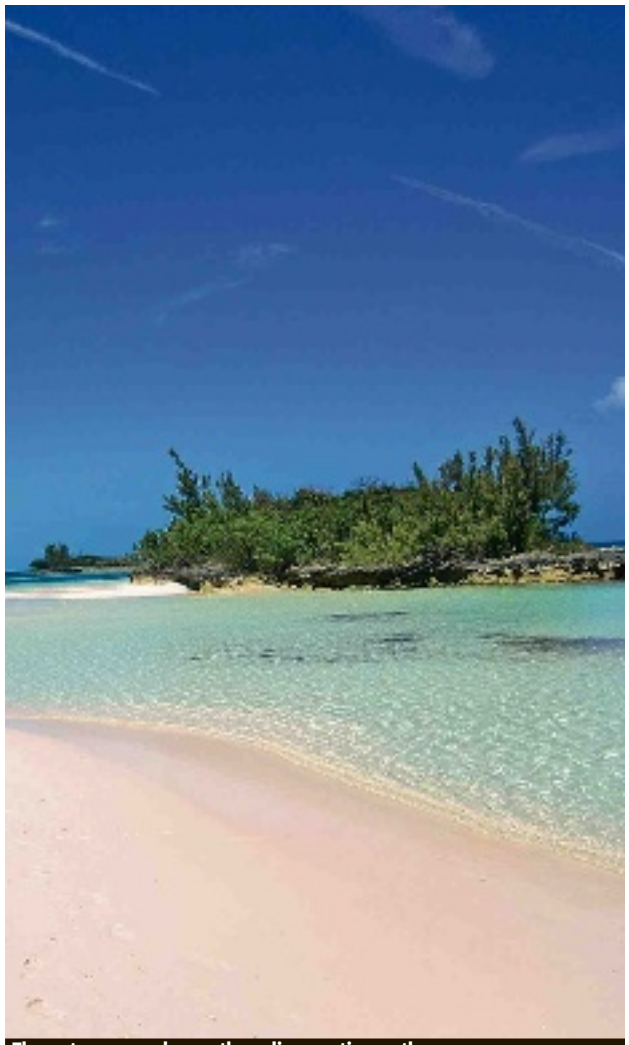
The philandering food for thought creates a people-watching guessing game 'wife or sweetheart' while ferrying to Elbow Cay to visit Abaco's candy-striped lighthouse and touring Hope Town, a charming outpost settled by British loyalists following the American Revolution. Among the colourful abodes is the Wyannie Malone Museum, well worth popping in to soak up some island history. After missing an afternoon ferry back to Marsh Harbour we joke that we might as well go trolling for sweethearts while waiting an hour for the next boat to arrive.

The next morning, a chase is definitely on, albeit one with much fewer moral repercussions. After a 20-minute ride from Green Turtle Cay skipped by Lincoln Jones, the proprietor of Lincoln's Island Adventures, we baited our hooks with a chopped up minnow and went fishing for yellow-tailed snapper. I got lucky with my virgin cast. After a spirited fight that nearly jerked me overboard, I reel her in, free her of the hook and toss her into the well. Before we drop anchor at Munjack Cay for lunch I'll catch three more.

I saunter down the bleach-white sands and wade into knee-depth waters to examine the dozen-odd orangey starfish speckling the ocean's floor. Braver members of our party feed fish scraps to the nearby sand sharks. Meanwhile Lincoln and his son Marcus cook up our catch, which we wash down with Kalik beer and a jug of pre-mixed Goombay Smash cocktails.

Quick tip

- **Eat.** The Bahamian Isle is famous for its abundance of conch. Try conch salad, a cerviche preparation, garnished with tomatoes and cucumbers as well as cracked conch, conch soup, conch fritters and conch sashimi.


The waters are as clear as the radio reception on the Abaco Islands MIKE DOJC/METRO

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Lynn Crawford makes Easter dinner easy for busy families

The Easter-long weekend is fast approaching and what does that mean?

Scavenger hunts, egg painting, bunny appearances, chocolate (too much chocolate) and of course, the big family dinner.

In keeping with the spirit of a holiday steeped in fun traditions, Inniskillin Wines and Chef Lynn Crawford created a long-weekend menu that packs just as much playfulness.

"This menu was important to me because Easter dinner has been a long-standing tradition in the Crawford family, and so has Easter brunch. I wanted to create something that was reminiscent of home. After all, that's what this weekend is all about — cooking, eating, and enjoying great company," says Crawford.

This ham pairs perfect with Riesling or Pinot Noir.

1. Preheat the oven to 300 F.

2. Put the ham in a large roasting pan, skin side up. Using a sharp knife, score the ham with cuts across the skin, about 2-inches apart and 1/2-inch deep. Cut diagonally down the slashes to form a diamond pattern.

3. Season the ham generously with salt and pepper. Mix the herbs, mustard and oil to make a paste. Rub the herb mixture over the ham, being sure to get the flavour into all the slits. Bake the ham for 2 hours.

4. For the glaze, place a saucepan over medium heat. Add the chunks of butter, apples, shallots, garlic apple juice, brown sugar, water, and spices. Slowly cook the liquid down to a chunky, syrupy glaze, about 40 to 50 minutes.

5. Pour the apple mustard glaze over the ham and continue to cook for about 1 1/2 hours, basting with the juices every 30 minutes. Set the ham on a cutting board to rest before carving.

Ingredients

- 1 (8 to 10-pound) smoked ham, bone-in, skin on
- Kosher salt and freshly ground black pepper
- 2 tbsp thyme leaves, chopped
- 2 tbsp sage leaves, chopped
- 2 tbsp parsley, chopped
- 3 tbsp Dijon mustard
- 1/4 cup extra-virgin olive oil
- 1 cup (2 sticks) unsalted butter, cut in chunks
- 3 Gala apples, cored and thinly sliced
- 3-4 shallots, peeled, thinly sliced
- 2 garlic cloves, minced
- 1 1/2 cups apple cider
- 1/2 cup Inniskillin Riesling
- 1 cup honey
- 1 cup light brown sugar, packed
- 1 cup water
- 1/4 tsp whole cloves
- 2 cinnamon sticks

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Honey Mustard Ham with Apples & Inniskillin Riesling

This recipe serves eight to 10 people. PROVIDED

Drink of the week

Skyy Easter Bonnet

The SKYY Easter Bonnet is a refreshing blend of smooth SKYY Vodka, Campari, tropical guava puree, freshly squeezed lime juice and sweetened with a hint of simple syrup.

Top it with a flower and it's as pretty as your favourite Easter bonnet!

- 1 1/2 parts SKYY Vodka
- 1/2 part Campari
- 1 part Guava puree (nectar or juice can also be substituted)
- 1/2 part freshly squeezed lime juice
- 1/2 part simple syrup

Pour ingredients in a shaker filled with ice. Shake and serve with a cocktail glass. SKYY SPIRITS

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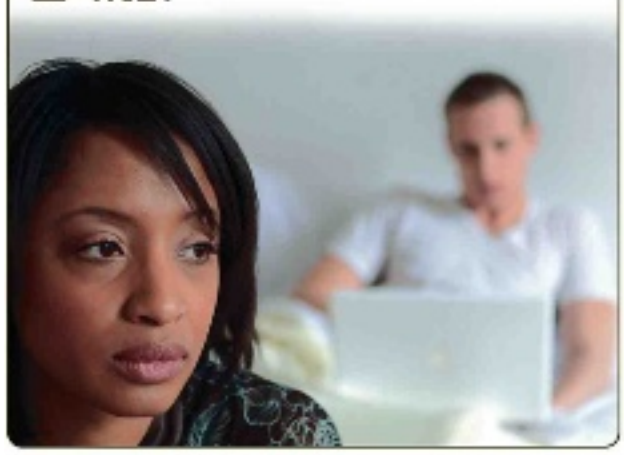

Pair your meal with Macaroni and Cheddar Casserole

This recipe serves four to six. PROVIDED

1. Heat your oven to 350° F. Lightly butter a two-quart casserole dish.

2. Melt 2 tablespoons of butter and toss with the bread crumbs, cheese and parsley.

3. To make the sauce, make a cut into the onion, about 1 inch deep, and slide the bay leaf into the slit. Stick the cloves into the onion. Put the milk and onions into a saucepot over medium heat.

4. Meanwhile in a separate pan, over low heat, melt the butter and then add the flour. Stir together and cook the roux without browning for about 3 minutes. Remove from heat.

5. When the milk is hot, pour some into the roux, stirring until the milk is thoroughly blended in. Return this to the remaining milk, and simmer for 15 minutes, stirring frequently.

6. Add the mustard and season with salt and pepper. Remove the onion, bay leafs and cloves. Add 2 cups of cheese and continue cooking, over low heat, stirring, until cheese is melted.

7. Cook the macaroni in a large pot of salted boiling water. Drain well and add to the sauce. Add the parsley and mix together well. Transfer to the prepared baking dish and top with seasoned bread crumbs.

8. Sprinkle over the casserole and bake for 25 to 30 minutes, or until browned and bubbly.

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Ingredients

For the topping

- 2 tbsp butter
- 1 cup Panko bread crumbs
- 1/4 cup Parmesan
- 2 tbsp parsley, chopped

- 5 cups elbow macaroni
- 2 teaspoons olive oil
- 1 small onion, peeled and cut in half
- 2 bay leafs
- 4 cloves
- 3 tbsp unsalted butter
- 3 tbsp all-purpose flour
- 2 cups milk
- 2 tbsp Dijon mustard
- 2 1/2 cups Cheddar cheese, grated
- 2 cup smoked ham, cooked and diced
- 2 tbsp parsley, chopped
- Salt and pepper

Never underestimate the power that the word 'volunteer' can have on your resumé. ISTOCK

A guide to giving back

So you want to be a volunteer. Follow these steps to find a cause befitting to your career aspirations

ELIZABETH BAISLEY
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• Research the causes or issues that are important to you: Find or create an organization that focuses on issues you're passionate about.

• Consider the skills you have to offer: Share skills that you use all day at work or that you have gained from a hobby or other experiences. Organizations requiring volunteers usually offer some training, but excessive training is costly and defeats the purpose of hiring volunteers.

• Seek opportunities where you can learn something new: This can be exciting, rewarding, and good for career development.

• Combine your goals: Look for volunteer opportunities that will also help you achieve your other goals for your life, whether personal or professional.

• Don't over-commit your schedule: Be up front about how many hours you can commit to the organization. You don't want to frustrate the organization or overwhelm yourself.

Applications and interviews are good things

You might be interviewed and expected to fill out an application, just like for a job. This is done to match you to tasks based on your skills and to ensure that you're committed.

It's probably a good thing that an organization does this, so don't let it scare you away. You are much more likely to find a meaningful volunteer position at an organization that puts time and planning into hiring their volunteers.

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Questions

What to ask an organization you are interested in volunteering for:

- Will you have to sign a liability release form so that the organization is not liable for any accidents you might have? This is especially important if you will be driving.
- How many hours will you be expected to commit each week?
- How long will your training be?
- Is there a time commitment in terms of months?
- Will you need a police check?

Student Voice

Give a little, get a little

Heather Mundle
Recent graduate from Carleton University's mass communications program and Algonquin College's public relations program.
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Heather Mundle PROVIDED

The summer search for jobs is something all of us students are facing right now. It's April and most of us are getting squirmy for when the next big break is going to come.

As a public relations student and graduate, I have learned that opportunities are not just thrown at you; you need to search them out for yourself and be willing to jump quickly into a new venture.

After attending Carleton University for a Bachelor of Arts in mass communications, I went with leaps and bounds to Algonquin College for public relations. The combination of university taught me how to think while the practical, hands-on experience of the college setting is a push in the right direction toward a career.

At Algonquin, I also learned the value of volunteering and sharing your experience with others. I made volunteering my only job where I have tried out public relations, marketing work, event planning and social media work. It is so great to lend a helping hand, gain some valuable experience and meet some wonderful friends and mentors along the way.

I think that in the university setting there needs to be more of a focus on volunteering in the community. It is one of the best ways to learn more about your field of study in a real world setting instead of asking yourself, "Now what am I going to do with this degree?"

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Success in style. Author Michele Granger explains how to knock down fashion's front door

BRUCE WALSH
Metro World News in Philadelphia

Missouri State professor Michele Granger wrote the book on breaking into the fashion industry — three times over. Fashion Entrepreneur-ship: Retail Business Planning and The Fashion Intern are both in their second editions.

Plus, Fashion: The Industry and Its Careers is a must-read for anyone curious about a career in the field.

What's a good first step for breaking into the fashion industry?

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What degrees should undergrads consider?

There are really two primary avenues. One is a degree in fashion design or fashion product development; the other is fashion merchandising. Design skews toward the artistic, creative people. Merchandising is more of the business end.

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Plenty of steel-toed boots to fill

Calling all females. Organizations across Canada are helping women acquire work in skilled trades

There's plenty of work to be done. ISTOCK

Nicole Martini is an ordinary 24-year-old: she spends weekends with friends, enjoys the outdoors and recently moved into her own house. However, there is nothing ordinary about her career path.

Martini is a third-year plumber apprentice and is among a growing number of women embracing non-traditional careers in the skilled trades.

After working part-time in retail for two years, she enrolled in a skilled trades exploration program offered at Okanagan College through the Women in Trades Training (WITT) initiative.

The program paid for her tuition and gave her a transportation subsidy. By the end of the course, Martini knew she wanted to be a plumber. "I loved what I was learning and knew it was the perfect career for me," she says.

WITT connects unemployed or low-skilled women to training opportunities across the province. According to Erin Johnston, manager of supply initiatives with ITA, many women are discovering that a career in the trades offers increased job satisfaction, independence and higher pay. Johnston also notes more employers are sponsoring women apprentices in anticipation of expected labour shortages.

"As more tradespeople retire, some industries are already struggling with a shortage of skilled workers," she says. "Our training programs provide women with the skills and training they need to fill these jobs."

The programs remove barriers that keep women out of the trades by providing tuition, access to childcare and subsidies for transportation or tools.

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4 SPORTS

Golf

Injury forces Johnson out of Masters

Dustin Johnson withdrew from this week's Masters on Tuesday because of a lingering back injury that he aggravated while lifting a jet ski last week, his agent said. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NHL

Habs to examine Price's headaches

Montreal Canadiens goaltender Carey Price will be examined by a team doctor Wednesday to determine whether the headaches he is suffering are a sign of something more serious.

The Canadiens have not confirmed a report that Price has a concussion. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Carey Price
RYAN REMIORZ/THE CANADIAN PRESS FILE

NFL

Saints' appeal to be heard on Thursday

Saints head coach Sean Payton, GM Mickey Loomis and assistant head coach Joe Vitt are set to have their appeals heard Thursday on punishments for their roles in New Orleans' bounty system. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NHL

"Maybe they (NHL) need Hollywood in the playoffs."

Edmonton coach Tom Renney on why his Oilers didn't get calls in their favour in a 2-0 loss to Los Angeles on Monday. The NHL fined Renney $10,000 US on Tuesday for the comments.

Jays top Tigers in spring finale

MLB. But Detroit's new slugger Fielder steals show with aggressive base-running

Prince Fielder took a big lead off first base and Toronto pitcher Henderson Alvarez never gave him a glance. So the hefty slugger took off and slid in with his first spring training swipe since 2008.

"I think any time I steal anything, everybody's off-guard. That's the point," Fielder said following the Blue Jays' 13-8 win Tuesday over the Detroit Tigers.

In a game that had five home runs among its 28 hits, Fielder's theft was a highlight.

Fielder followed Miguel Cabrera's single up the middle in the third inning with a forceout. After Delmon Young popped up, Fielder ran on Alvarez's first pitch to Alex Avila and beat J.P. Arencibia's throw and shortstop Yunel Escobar's tag.

Deadpanned Tigers manager Jim Leyland: "I wouldn't make a big deal out of it."

"I don't think you'll see it very much," he said. "You can tell Rickey Henderson not to worry about it."

Fielder has 16 stolen bases in seven major league seasons, putting him 1,390 behind Hall of Famer Henderson's record.

Fielder's next gamble on the bases also brought a roar from the crowd in Dunedin, Fla., but it wasn't nearly as successful.

With two outs and Fielder still at second, Jhonny Peralta lined a single to left field. The 275-pound Fielder thundered around third and headed home. Left fielder Eric Thames threw Fielder out by two steps to end the inning.

"I thought I had it," Fielder said.

Tigers starter Max Scherzer had a rough day, charged with nine runs on 11 hits and three walks in 4 1-3 innings. He was chased during the Blue Jays' seven-run fifth inning.

Thames and two minor leaguers hit home runs for the Blue Jays. Miguel Cabrera connected off Alvarez and Danny Worth hit one off Kyle Drabek, who gave up single runs in the sixth, seventh and eighth innings and two in the ninth.

Toronto's regular season gets underway Thursday in Cleveland.

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Jays catcher J.P. Arencibia taps Detroit's Prince Fielder after the Tigers first baseman tried to score on a Jhonny Peralta single in the third inning on Tuesday. KATHY WILLENS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Starting rotation

Cecil sent to double-A

The Blue Jays demoted starting pitcher Brett Cecil to Double-A New Hampshire on the final day of spring training, and will begin the season with Kyle Drabek and Joel Carreno in the starting rotation.

Once projected to be the Jays' third starter, Cecil's final two starts of spring were dreadful. He gave up 15 hits, 11 runs and six walks in a combined 6 2/3 innings.

"Brett needs a few more starts to gain the consistent command required to compete against lineups he's going to face at the major-league level," manager John Farrell said Tuesday.

To start the season, the Jays' five-man rotation will be Ricky Romero, Brandon Morrow, Carreno, Henderson Alvarez and Drabek.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

On the web

Senators gear up for playoffs

The Ottawa Senators were trying to make it five straight wins against the Carolina Hurricanes last night at the Scotiabank Saddledome. Read the story at metronews.ca/sports

Quoted

"In hindsight, I realize what I said was inappropriate and wrong, and I want to apologize to the Penguins organization and their fans."

NBC and CBC hockey analyst Mike Milbury, who found himself under fire Tuesday, a day after a rant against Pittsburgh Penguins superstar Sidney Crosby. Milbury ripped Crosby on a Philadelphia radio station Monday, calling out the Pens captain for his role in a game-ending line brawl Sunday between the Penguins and Flyers. He labelled Crosby "a punk" and "little goody two shoes" and also referred to "his 35th concussion."

On the web

Long overlooked and underfunded, the renamed Miami Marlins had top billing Tuesday as they played their first game at brand new Marlins Park against the defending World Series champion St. Louis Cardinals to open the 2012 MLB regular season. Scan the code for the story.

Curling. Canada remains unbeaten as competition for world title heats up

Canada's Glenn Howard has won in blowout fashion and had a few close calls at the world men's curling championship.

He has come through every time and remains a favourite to play for his fourth world title this weekend in Basel, Switzerland.

Howard improved his record to 7-0 Tuesday, winning a 7-6 nail-biter over Switzerland before posting an 8-5 win over Denmark. Both opponents are playoff long shots but still gave Howard a stiff challenge ahead of upcoming games against powerhouses Sweden and Scotland.

Howard said the quality of opposition is so high at the competition that every game is a test.

"When other teams play well, you can only do so much," he said. "Everybody keeps thinking you're supposed to blow people out. You can't — if the other team makes a lot of shots, that's the way it works.

"The bottom line is you just try to make one more than the next guy and get those wins."

THE CANADIAN PRESS

By the numbers

74%

Glenn Howard shot just 74 per cent against the Swiss but teammates Wayne Middaugh, Brent Laing and Craig Savill each shot over 95 per cent.

Champions League

Messi's pair leads Barcelona to semis

Lionel Messi swept holder Barcelona into the Champions League semifinals for the fifth successive year on Tuesday while becoming the competition's most prolific scorer in a single season.

The Argentina forward scored a pair of first-half penalty kicks and Andres Iniesta added another goal after the break to give Barcelona a 3-1 victory over AC Milan following a 0-0 draw in Italy.

Messi's 14th Champions League goal this season surpassed Ruud van Nistelrooy's tally in the 2002-03 campaign.

Bayern Munich joined fellow four-time champion Barcelona in the semifinals.

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NCAA. Kentucky team returns to adoring fans

Another championship banner has been unfurled at Rupp Arena.

Kentucky's basketball team returned home to its adoring fans Tuesday, after defeating Kansas 67-59 Monday night to win the school's eighth NCAA championship.

Blue-clad fans erupted into deafening cheers as the team pulled into the packed arena aboard a sleek blue bus emblazoned with "national champions."

It was a joyous curtain call for a team led by a talented group of freshmen and sophomores. The NBA likely beckons next for several of them.

Coach John Calipari pumped his fist and raised his arms in triumph as he basked in the cheers.

"You know why we won the national title? Folks, we have the best players and we have the best team," he said as the crowd erupted.

The rally punctuated a raucous few days in Lexington as the Wildcats marched toward the national title.

After the championship game, numerous small fires were set, dozens were arrested and one man was wounded by gunfire as fans again filled the streets near campus. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

John Calipari, head coach of the Kentucky Wildcats.
JEFF GROSS/GETTY IMAGES/FILE

NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	OTL	SL	GF	GA	Pts	Home	Away	Last 10	Strk
dx-NY Rangers	79	50	22	2	5	218	175	107	27-11-0-2	23-11-2-3	6-4-0-0	L1
dx-Boston	79	47	28	1	3	259	193	98	23-13-1-2	24-15-0-1	7-2-0-1	W2
d-Florida	79	37	25	6	11	193	217	91	20-9-1-9	17-16-5-2	4-2-1-3	L3
x-Pittsburgh	79	48	25	3	3	268	214	102	27-10-2-0	21-15-1-3	5-4-1-0	L1
x-Philadelphia	79	46	24	2	7	257	222	101	21-12-1-5	25-12-1-2	6-2-0-2	W1
x-New Jersey	79	45	28	2	4	219	205	96	22-13-0-4	23-15-2-0	5-4-0-1	W3
x-Ottawa	79	41	28	6	4	245	231	92	20-15-2-2	21-13-4-2	5-3-0-2	W4
Washington	80	40	32	4	4	214	227	88	25-11-2-2	15-21-2-2	4-4-1-1	L1
Buffalo	79	38	31	4	6	208	219	86	20-12-3-5	18-19-1-1	6-2-0-2	L2
Winnipeg	79	36	34	5	4	213	233	81	23-13-1-3	13-21-4-1	4-5-1-0	L1
Tampa Bay	79	37	35	4	3	227	270	81	25-14-1-1	12-21-3-2	5-5-0-0	W2
Carolina	79	31	32	10	6	208	237	78	19-14-2-5	12-18-8-1	5-5-0-0	L2
Toronto	79	34	36	4	5	222	252	77	17-16-3-4	17-20-1-1	4-5-0-1	W1
NY Islanders	79	33	35	7	4	194	241	77	16-18-5-1	17-17-3-2	6-3-0-1	L2
Montreal	79	29	35	4	11	202	221	73	14-15-2-8	15-20-2-3	2-3-3-2	L4

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	OTL	SL	GF	GA	Pts	Home	Away	Last 10	Strk
y-Vancouver	79	49	21	2	7	239	191	107	25-10-0-4	24-11-3-2	7-2-1-0	W6
dx-St. Louis	79	48	21	1	9	204	156	106	30-5-1-3	18-16-0-6	4-3-0-3	L2
d-Los Angeles	80	40	27	5	8	187	170	93	22-14-0-4	18-13-5-4	8-2-0-0	W1
x-Detroit	79	47	27	3	2	242	196	99	31-6-1-1	16-21-2-1	3-5-2-0	W1
x-Nashville	79	45	26	3	5	227	208	98	24-10-2-3	21-16-1-2	4-5-0-1	L1
x-Chicago	80	44	26	4	6	244	234	98	27-8-1-5	17-18-3-1	7-1-0-2	L1
Phoenix	79	39	27	3	10	206	202	91	21-13-2-4	18-14-1-6	5-2-0-3	W2
San Jose	79	40	29	5	5	214	201	90	25-12-2-1	15-17-3-4	6-4-0-0	W1
Dallas	79	42	32	1	4	207	212	89	22-14-0-3	20-18-1-1	4-6-0-0	L2
Colorado	80	41	33	4	2	205	209	88	22-15-1-1	19-18-3-1	5-3-1-1	W1
Calgary	80	35	29	7	9	194	222	86	21-12-1-5	14-17-6-4	2-3-3-2	L3
Minnesota	79	34	35	2	8	173	219	78	19-16-1-3	15-19-1-5	5-5-0-0	W3
Anaheim	79	33	35	5	6	195	219	77	21-18-2-0	12-17-3-6	4-5-1-0	L2
Edmonton	80	32	39	3	6	210	233	73	18-17-2-3	14-22-1-3	5-3-1-1	L1
Columbus	79	27	45	2	5	190	255	61	16-21-1-2	11-24-1-3	5-5-0-0	W3

x — clinched playoff berth; **d** — division leaders ranked 1-2-3 regardless of points; a team winning in overtime or shootout is credited with two points and a victory in the W column; the team losing in overtime or shootout receives one point which is registered in the OTL (overtime loss) or SL (shootout loss) column.

Last night's results
Toronto at Buffalo
N.Y. Islanders at New Jersey
N.Y. Rangers at Philadelphia
Pittsburgh at Boston
Carolina at Ottawa
Winnipeg at Florida
Minnesota at Nashville
San Jose at Dallas
Anaheim at Vancouver,
Columbus at Phoenix
Monday's results
Los Angeles 2 Edmonton 0
Tampa Bay 4 Washington 2
Tonight's games
All times Eastern
Tampa Bay at Montreal, 7:30 p.m.
Detroit at St. Louis, 7:30 p.m.
Tomorrow's games
Tampa Bay at Toronto, 7 p.m.
Winnipeg at N.Y. Islanders, 7 p.m.
Buffalo at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.
N.Y. Rangers at Pittsburgh, 7 p.m.
Florida at Washington, 7 p.m.
Montreal at Carolina, 7 p.m.
Boston at Ottawa, 7:30 p.m.
New Jersey at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
Dallas at Nashville, 8 p.m.
Chicago at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Columbus at Colorado, 9 p.m.
Vancouver at Calgary, 9 p.m.
Anaheim at Edmonton, 9:30 p.m.
San Jose at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.
Friday's games
Phoenix at St. Louis, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, April 7
Chicago at Detroit, 1 p.m.
Ottawa at New Jersey, 3 p.m.
Buffalo at Boston, 4 p.m.
Philadelphia at Pittsburgh, 4 p.m.
Anaheim at Calgary, 4 p.m.
Washington at N.Y. Rangers, 6:30 p.m.
Toronto at Montreal, 7 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Winnipeg, 7 p.m.
N.Y. Islanders at Columbus, 7 p.m.
Carolina at Florida, 7:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
St. Louis at Dallas, 8 p.m.
Nashville at Colorado, 9 p.m.
Edmonton at Vancouver, 10 p.m.
Los Angeles at San Jose, 10:30 p.m.
END OF 2011-12 NHL REGULAR

SCORING LEADERS

	G	A	Pt
Malkin, Pgh	48	56	104
Stamkos, TB	58	37	95
Giroux, Pha	28	61	89
Spezza, Ott	32	50	82
Neal, Pgh	39	41	80
Kovalchuk, NJ	34	46	80
Kessel, Tor	37	41	78
Tavares, NYI	31	47	78
H.Sedin, Vcr	13	65	78
Hossa, Chi	29	48	77
Karlsson, Ott	19	58	77
Eberle, Edm	33	42	75
Ra.Whitney, Phx	24	51	75
Gaborik, NYR	40	34	74
Elias, NJ	25	49	74
Thornton, SJ	16	58	74
Kopitar, LA	25	48	73
St. Louis, TB	24	47	71
Pominville, Buf	29	41	70
Eriksson, Dal	26	44	70
E.Staal, Car	24	45	69
Zetterberg, Det	22	46	68
Moulson, NYI	34	33	67
Sharp, Chi	33	34	67
D.Sedin, Vcr	30	37	67
Lupul, Tor	25	42	67
Parenteau, NYI	18	49	67
Hartnell, Pha	32	30	66
Iglinla, Cal	32	34	66
Parise, NJ	31	35	66
Seguin, Bos	27	38	65
Selanne, Ana	26	39	65
Filppula, Det	23	42	65
P.Kane, Chi	23	42	65
B.Richards, NYR	25	39	64
Datsyuk, Det	18	46	64
Ovechkin, Wash	36	27	63
Ryder, Dal	35	27	62
Ja.Benn, Dal	26	36	62
Purcell, TB	21	41	62
Ribeiro, Dal	18	44	62
O.Jokinen, Cal	23	38	61
P.Bergeron, Bos	22	39	61
Wheeler, Wpg	17	44	61
Michalek, Ott	35	25	60
Vrbata, Phx	33	27	60

Not including last night's games

CURLING

MEN'S WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

At Basel, Switzerland
ROUND-ROBIN STANDINGS

Country (skip)	W	L
Canada (G.Howard)	**7**	**0**
China (Liu)	5	2
Scotland (Brewster)	5	2
Sweden (Edin)	5	2
Norway (Ulsrud)	4	3
New Zealand (de Boer)	4	3
Denmark (Stjerne)	3	4
France (Dufour)	3	4
Germany (Jahr)	2	5
U.S. (McCormick)	2	5
Czech Rep. (J.Snitil)	1	6
Switzerland (Mueller)	1	6

ROUND ROBIN
Yesterday's results
Ninth Draw
Canada 7 Switzerland 6
China 8 France 2
Germany 4 Czech Republic 3
U.S. 10 Sweden 1
Draw 10
Canada 8 Denmark 5
France 5 Scotland 3
New Zealand 8 Germany 5
Norway 9 U.S. 4
Draw 11
Denmark 9 Switzerland 4
New Zealand 8 Czech Republic 5
Norway 8 Sweden 3
Scotland 7 China 6
Today's games
Draw 12, 3 a.m.
Norway vs. China; New Zealand vs. Switzerland; Denmark vs. Czech Republic; Scotland vs. Sweden.
Draw 13, 8 a.m.
Sweden vs. Canada; Czech Republic vs. France; Switzerland vs. U.S.; China vs. Germany.
Draw 14, 1 p.m.
U.S. vs. New Zealand; Germany vs. Norway; Canada vs. Scotland; France vs. Denmark.
Tomorrow's games
Draw 15, 3 a.m.
Scotland vs. Czech Republic; Denmark vs. Sweden; New Zealand vs. China; Norway vs. Switzerland.
Draw 16, 8 a.m.
Germany vs. Denmark; U.S. vs. Scotland; France vs. Norway; Canada vs. New Zealand.
Draw 17, 1 p.m.
Switzerland vs. France; China vs. Canada; Sweden vs. Germany; Czech Republic vs. U.S.
End of round robin

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EAST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	Pct.	GF	GA	GB
Philadelphia	12	7	5	.583	143	153	—
Toronto	12	6	6	.500	146	145	1
Rochester	12	5	7	.417	145	149	2
Buffalo	12	4	8	.333	142	161	3

WEST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	Pct.	GF	GA	GB
x-Colorado	13	10	3	.769	174	159	—
x-Calgary	13	10	3	.769	180	136	—
Minnesota	12	5	7	.417	144	149	4½
Edmonton	11	4	7	.364	117	123	5
Washington	13	4	9	.308	141	157	6

x — Clinched playoff berth.

WEEK 14

Friday's games
All times Eastern
Minnesota at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.
Rochester at Calgary, 9 p.m.
Saturday, April 7
Edmonton at Toronto, 7 p.m.
Philadelphia at Buffalo, 7:30 p.m.

SOCCER

MLS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pt
Kansas City	4	4	0	0	7	1	12
New York	4	2	2	0	10	7	6
Columbus	3	2	1	0	3	2	6
Houston	3	2	1	0	2	2	6
New England	4	2	2	0	4	5	6
Chicago	3	1	1	1	2	3	4
D.C. United	4	1	2	1	5	5	4
Philadelphia	4	0	3	1	2	6	1
Montreal	4	0	3	1	3	10	1
Toronto	3	0	3	0	1	7	0

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pt
Salt Lake	4	3	1	0	8	4	9
San Jose	4	3	1	0	5	1	9
Colorado	4	3	1	0	7	5	9
Vancouver	4	2	0	2	3	0	8
Seattle	3	2	1	0	5	2	6
Portland	4	1	2	1	6	6	4
Dallas	4	1	2	1	5	8	4
Los Angeles	3	1	2	0	5	7	3
Chivas USA	4	1	3	0	1	3	3

Note: Three points for a win, one for a tie.
Tonight's game
Montreal at Salt Lake, 9 p.m.

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CHAMPIONS LEAGUE

Yesterday's results
Barcelona 3 AC Milan 1
Bayern Munich 2 Marseille 0

ENGLAND

LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP

Yesterday's results
Burnley 1 Birmingham 3

BASKETBALL

NCAA MEN'S TOURNAMENT

FINAL FOUR

At New Orleans
CHAMPIONSHIP
Monday's result
Kentucky 67 Kansas 59

MLB

SPRING TRAINING

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct
Toronto	24	7	.774
Detroit	20	8	.714
Oakland	14	6	.700
Seattle	15	9	.625
Los Angeles	18	11	.621
Boston	16	11	.593
New York	17	12	.586
Minnesota	18	15	.545
Kansas City	15	15	.500
Baltimore	11	13	.458
Chicago	13	18	.419
Texas	12	17	.414
Tampa Bay	10	16	.385
Cleveland	7	22	.241

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	W	L	Pct
St. Louis	16	9	.640
San Diego	19	15	.559
Colorado	17	14	.548
San Francisco	17	14	.548
Chicago	17	16	.515
Los Angeles	14	14	.500
Milwaukee	15	15	.500
Cincinnati	15	17	.469
Houston	14	16	.467
Philadelphia	13	16	.448
Miami	11	14	.440
Arizona	13	18	.419
Washington	12	17	.414
Atlanta	10	18	.357
New York	9	19	.321
Pittsburgh	9	19	.321

NOTE: Split-squad games count in the standings; games against non-major league teams do not.
Yesterday's results
Toronto 13, Detroit 8
Tampa Bay 6, Minnesota 2
N.Y. Mets 7, N.Y. Yankees 6
Chicago Cubs 5, Milwaukee (ss) 3
Boston 8, Washington 7
Colorado 9, Seattle 8
Pittsburgh at Philadelphia
Chicago White Sox at Houston
Milwaukee (ss) vs. Arizona
Kansas City at San Diego
L.A. Angels vs. L.A. Dodgers
San Francisco at Oakland
Monday's results
N.Y. Mets 8, Atlanta 2
Tampa Bay 6, Minnesota 6, tie
Detroit 11, Toronto 8
Boston 4, Washington 2
Milwaukee 13, Chicago White Sox 7
Cincinnati 2, Cleveland 1
Seattle 7, Colorado 2
Chicago Cubs 8, Arizona 3
Philadelphia 4, Pittsburgh 3
N.Y. Yankees 5, Miami 2
L.A. Angels 12, L.A. Dodgers 3
San Francisco 4, Oakland 2
Today's games
N.Y. Mets vs. N.Y. Yankees at Tampa, Fla., 12:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox at Houston, 2:05 p.m.
L.A. Angels vs. L.A. Dodgers at Glendale, Ariz., 3:10 p.m.
Milwaukee at Arizona, 3:40 p.m.
Oakland at San Francisco, 3:45 p.m.
Seattle vs. Colorado at Scottsdale, Ariz., 4:10 p.m.
Kansas City vs. San Diego at Lake Elsinore, Calif., 5:05 p.m.

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Chicago	42	13	.764	—
d-Miami	37	14	.725	3
Orlando	32	21	.604	9
d-Boston	30	22	.577	10½
Indiana	31	21	.596	9½
Atlanta	31	23	.574	10½
Philadelphia	29	23	.558	11½
New York	27	26	.509	14
Milwaukee	25	28	.472	16
Detroit	19	33	.365	21½
New Jersey	19	35	.352	22½
Toronto	18	35	.340	23
Cleveland	17	34	.333	23
Washington	12	41	.226	29
Charlotte	7	43	.140	32½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Oklahoma City	40	13	.755	—
d-San Antonio	37	14	.725	2
d-L.A. Lakers	33	20	.623	7
L.A. Clippers	32	21	.604	8
Memphis	29	22	.569	10
Dallas	30	24	.556	10½
Denver	29	24	.547	11
Houston	29	25	.537	11½
Utah	28	26	.519	12½
Phoenix	26	26	.500	13½
Portland	25	29	.463	15½
Minnesota	25	30	.455	16
Golden State	20	31	.392	19
Sacramento	19	34	.358	21
New Orleans	13	40	.245	27

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Last night's results
San Antonio 125, Cleveland 90
New York at Indiana
Charlotte at Toronto
Orlando at Detroit
Philadelphia at Miami
Golden State at Memphis
Phoenix at Sacramento
New Jersey at L.A. Lakers
Monday's results
Milwaukee 112, Washington 98
Houston 99, Chicago 93
Memphis 94, Oklahoma City 88
L.A. Clippers 94, Dallas 75
Sacramento 116, Minnesota 108
Utah 102, Portland 97
Tonight's games
All times Eastern
Indiana at Washington, 7 p.m.
Toronto at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.
Charlotte at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
San Antonio at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
Denver at New Orleans, 8 p.m.
Golden State at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Cleveland at Milwaukee, 8 p.m.
Oklahoma City at Miami, 8 p.m.
Memphis at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Utah, 9 p.m.
New Jersey at Portland, 10 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.

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7. Tiger Woods	USA	5.53
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Suspension

To accommodate the added power, Hyundai's engineers worked on the Coupe's suspension. That involved recalibrating the dampers and adding beefier anti-roll bars, but one of the cooler modifications is the addition of a "sound induction tube" that pipes in the exhaust notes for the enjoyment of the occupants.

Zero to 60

According to Hyundai, the revitalized V6 can propel the GT to 60 m.p.h. (96 km/h) from zero in the "lower five-second range," but the company hasn't yet divulged times for the four-cylinder 2.0 model. The Coupe also has a more aggressive nosepiece featuring Hyundai's open-mouth grille.

2013 Genesis Coupe

- **Type.** Two-door, rear-wheel-drive sport coupe.
- **Engines (hp):** 2.0-litre DOHC I4, turbocharged (274); 3.8-litre DOHC V6 (348).
- **Mileage:** L/100 km (city/hwy) 10.4/6.4 (2.0, AT).
- **Base Price (incl. destination):** $28,100.

The four-cylinder is up 64 horsepower to 274.

Engines

Both the base 2.0-litre four-cylinder turbo and optional 3.8-litre V6 have been power-enhanced and are accompanied by all-new optional eight-speed automatic transmissions with manual paddle shifters.

Updated six-speed manual gearboxes are standard.

Review. The Genesis coupe has rear-wheel drive and its V6 puts the boots to the Nissan 370Z, V6 Mustang, Camaro and Challenger

When Hyundai wants to upgrade, it doesn't mess around.

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None of this five- or 10-horsepower stuff, or dressing it up with doilies and stickers.

In case you missed it, Hyundai's rear-drive four-seat coupe arrived for the 2010 model year and shares the Genesis name with its big-brother four-door sedan. The similarities end right about there, though.

While the sedan is all about cruising in style, the Coupe gets its kicks well away from the interstate, tackling two-lane back roads or, for some, smoking the tires and hanging the tail out on a closed autocross loop.

These and other activities will be significantly enhanced with the spring launch of the 2013 Coupe. Its arrival is indeed timely as this most unique Hyundai faces off against three new sporty competitors, including the front-wheel drive 2012 Mini Cooper Coupe plus the 2013 Scion FR-S and closely identical Subaru BRZ, which are both rear-wheel-drivers.

All four import-based cars form part of a "thin" market where sales volumes are low compared with sedans, wagons and pickup trucks and where each and every dotted-line conquest is critical.

Hyundai has bumped up the turbo Coupe's base price by about $1,600 to $28,100, while the 3.8 GT sees a $4,000 increase to $38,600.

That makes both editions a bit less financially appealing, but likely won't dissuade rapid-transit seekers who also appreciate an attractively packaged ride and the additional power.

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Most buy the Porsche 911 for its performance, heritage, rich racing history, and for the status implied by its badge.

Delivery of a high-style, high-status and high-performance driving experience is part of the package.

The so-called “997” generation of this machine was available from 2005 to 2008, inclusive. It’s a unique and celebrated sports car, but certainly not one for every buyer’s budget.

Common Issues

As with any high performance vehicle, parts and labour are pricey. Even changing tires and struts will run well into the thousands. Reports of leaky engine seals and niggling electrical issues have been made, so a full mechanical checkup and inspection of all on-board features should be considered mandatory. Note that reports of engine failure on earlier models in this generation aren’t uncommon. Apparently warped heads or a bad block design were to blame. An extended powertrain warranty isn’t a bad idea, if available.

Seek a Porsche mechanic’s opinion as to whether or not the vehicle has been abused or neglected, and question any signs of excessive wear and unusual noises.

Engine

Look for rear-mounted flat-six engines on all models, ranging from 325 to 530 horsepower, depending on the model selected. Automatic or manual transmission were available, as were rear or all-wheel drive.

What Owners Like

Everyday usability, performance, style, status and practicality are all highly rated by 911 owners. Fuel mileage and relative comfort are other positives. Descriptors like “flawless” or “perfect” come up frequently in owners forums.

What Owners Dislike

Complaints are minor, though they mainly deal with limited trunk and rear seat space, and expensive factory options.

Verdict

The pleasure of driving a 911 should outweigh the potential costs — but don’t let your guard down when shopping. Patience and research are key to success here.

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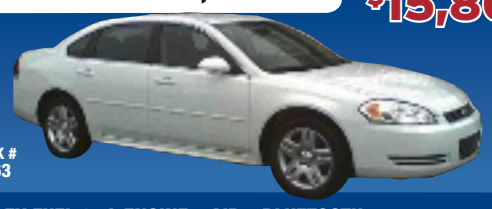

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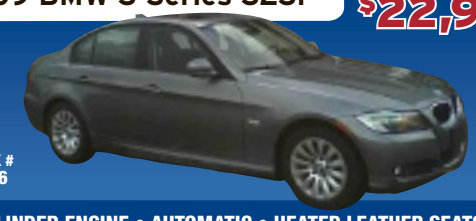

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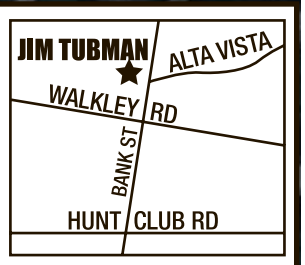

When metal gets compressed, priorities change

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I'm not the first person to be driving along in perfect safety and serenity to be suddenly broadsided by another vehicle, and vaulted into that country called accident-land.

So many of you know what that feels like.

One moment you're driving along listening to Anne Murray or Black Sabbath, and the next there's a huge BANG. Instead of ending up where you planned, your day suddenly shifts to one populated by police, ambulance attendants, mangled machinery, tow trucks, witnesses and rental cars. A lot of cell phoning. A lot of standing around by the side of the road.

And a lot of going over the accident in your head.

Since it happened, a few months ago, I must have replayed that tape hundreds of times. I can't remember what socks I put on this morning, but every detail of those few moments before and after impact are available to me anytime I want in full HD. And I'm always surprised at how much information I was able to take in during those brief moments, like the metal got compressed, and so did time.

The tape goes something like this… A vehicle suddenly appears in my left periphery… What the?… That car shouldn't be there… What's going on?… Slam on the brakes… BANG… Diane screaming… The Mazda 626 deflected into the ditch… Can't believe we're not in pain…

We were shaken, but not internally stirred.

Moments earlier we were going dead straight on a lightly populated two-lane in the country, mid-morning in bright sunlight, en route to Ontario's Blue Mountain ski resort, to meet up with our friends Dave and Olga.

The car that hit us, had just turned left into our path, from a stop sign, intending to travel the same direction as us. That car's right front fender contacted our left front fender.

After making sure we weren't leaking, I ran out to yell at the other driver. I had to wait a bit. His car was veering erratically into a field, about 100 metres away from us. As soon as his car stopped, he scrambled out and ran up to us in the snow to see if we were all right. I was yelling at him most of the way.

A young guy. Said he didn't see us.

In retrospect, I should have asked if he was all right before yelling at him. That's one of the things I would do differently if I had to do it over again, which I won't. It's booked in that line of time nobody gets to change.

A lot of friendly folk stopped to help. Everybody on the scene, including police and ambulance attendants, couldn't have been more helpful or concerned. When push comes to shove, as it does in vehicle accidents, you are once again made aware of how far down the priority list are vehicles from the thing at the very top of the priority list — people.

The policeman on the scene said we were lucky. If we struck a bit earlier, we would have taken the blow by the driver's door. If we struck a bit later, we would have run into the back of him. There was a lot of meaty metal where we got together, and each car could deflect a lot of the energy by heading off in various, non-conflicting directions.

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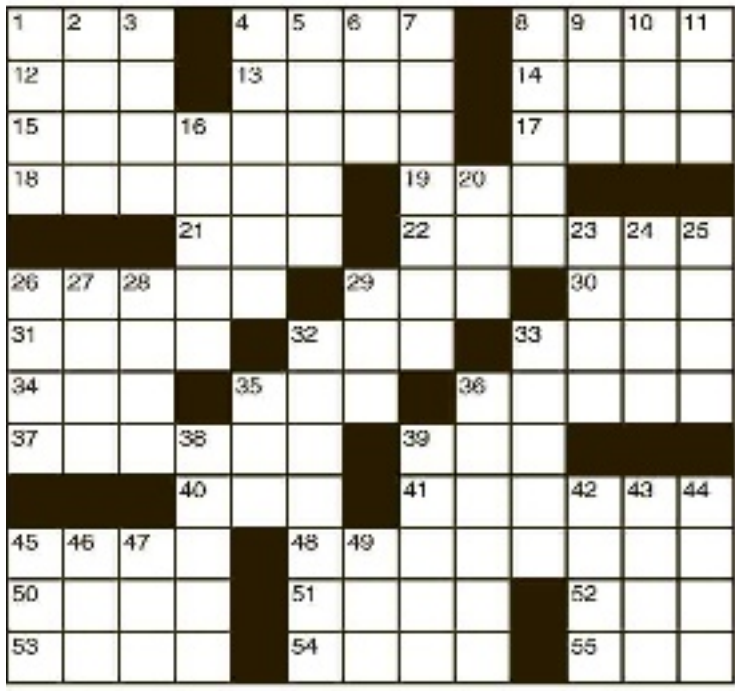

Across

1 Matlock's field
4 Goody-goody
8 Put together
12 Eggs
13 Top-rated
14 Pressing need
15 Football-game start
17 Opening day?
18 Tell
19 Father's Day gift
21 Nursery item
22 This way
26 Broadway backer
29 Pub order
30 Right-turn command
31 Upper House member
32 White House monogram
33 Verve
34 History chapter
35 Black-and-white seabird
36 Put forth
37 Decorate with raised work
39 Rock-concert need
40 Likely
41 Nap
45 Tarzan's clique
48 Kisser enhancement
50 Sandwich shop
51 Always
52 Cheerleader's cry
53 Thousand —, Calif.
54 Unit of force
55 Make an effort

Down

1 Sites
2 Shakespeare's river
3 Child of the streets
4 Beat
5 Spacious
6 Officeholders
7 "Whole exceeds sum of parts" theory
8 Countertop appliance
9 Branch
10 — good deed
11 Type measures
16 Famous
20 Bar supply
23 Eye amorously
24 Burn somewhat
25 Faxed
26 Sheltered
27 "Cheers" habitué
28 Snatch
29 Mail invitations
32 Sped
33 Vote off the island
35 Cleo's slayer
36 Political mover?
38 Refuge
39 Skiers' mecca
42 Do mailroom work
43 Autocrat
44 Wan
45 Big bother
46 Split — soup
47 Wapiti
49 Wall climber

Sudoku

		8		2	6			
		1	8			6		
			4				3	9
		5	2			7		1
	3						6	
2		9			4	5		
4	7				9			
		3			2	1		
			5	6		3		

How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's Sudoku

2	5	4	8	6	7	9	3	1
9	8	3	5	1	4	6	7	2
7	6	1	9	3	2	4	5	8
4	1	5	3	7	6	8	2	9
8	7	9	4	2	9	3	1	5
3	9	2	1	8	5	7	6	4
5	2	7	6	4	9	1	8	3
6	3	8	2	9	1	5	4	7
1	4	9	7	5	3	2	8	6

Yesterday's Crossword

Cryptoquip

How to play

This is a substitution cipher where one letter stands for another. Eg: If X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle.

FT GSN TYFRPTNKKG JKDYA GSNI DYIM, F MNLLSMD GSN JSNKC JYKK RPYR XSSC YNIYK PGXFDAD.

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: AFTER SOME BLACK INK WAS FOUND TO BE GUILTY OF A CRIME, THEY WOUND UP PUTTING IT IN THE PEN.

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: N equals U

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Horoscope

♈ Aries | March 21 - April 20. You are never afraid to take risks but the approaching full moon warns they must now be calculated risks, or you might just come off second best.

♉ Taurus | April 21 - May 21. Why are you contemplating an extreme solution for a problem that is really quite simple?

♊ Gemini | May 22 - June 20. With your ruler Mercury moving in your favour again you should be focusing on realities. They can be as enjoyable as fantasies.

♋ Cancer | June 21 - July 22. This is not a good day to believe you can do six impossible things before breakfast. You need to know your limits.

♌ Leo | July 23 - Aug. 22. In the greater scheme of things, there is no such thing as "good" or "bad" events. It all depends on how you look at them.

♍ Virgo | Aug. 23 - Sept. 22. Use your eyes and ears today, and make sure you know what is actually going on in your world, rather than what other people tell you is going on.

♎ Libra | Sept. 23 - Oct. 22. What you say today may not be greeted with universal acclaim but that does not matter.

♏ Scorpio | Oct. 23 - Nov. 21. Raise your sights and make sure you can see the bigger picture. You'll recognize the significance soon.

♐ Sagittarius | Nov. 22 - Dec. 21. Take your mind off your troubles today by getting involved in a new creative activity.

♑ Capricorn | Dec. 22 - Jan 20. Take time out for your own needs today and don't feel guilty if friends and family complain that you are being unsociable.

♒ Aquarius | Jan. 21 - Feb 18. Someone will say something upsetting but you must not respond in kind. Just smile sweetly.

♓ Pisces | Feb. 19 - March 20. Mercury, planet of the mind, turns direct in your sign today and you will notice that your problems no longer seem such a big deal.

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